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Principal Land Use Planner (LUP004)

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Company/Agency: **Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning**

Job Category: **Principal**

Experience Required: **10+ Years**

Salary Range: **\$82,100 – \$106,700**

The Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning (CMAP) is seeking an experienced Land Use Planner. CMAP was created in 2005 as the comprehensive regional planning organization for the northeastern Illinois counties of Cook, DuPage, Kane, Kendall, Lake, McHenry, and Will. By state and federal law, CMAP is responsible for developing *GO TO 2040*, metropolitan Chicago's comprehensive regional plan. The agency projects that metropolitan Chicago will gain more than 2 million new residents and 1 million jobs in the next three decades. The *GO TO 2040* planning campaign will develop and implement strategies to address that projected growth. Scheduled for completion in 2010, the plan will shape the region's transportation system and development patterns, while also addressing the natural environment, economic development, housing, education, human services and other factors shaping quality of life. See www.cmap.illinois.gov and www.goto2040.org for more information.

Position Description

The land use planner will primarily be responsible for managing the agency's land use activities related to the implementation of *GO TO 2040*, the region's long range plan. The plan will be adopted in October 2010, and the agency will immediately begin to work with its partners to bring about its implementation. CMAP will take an active role in supporting the land use planning of local governments through providing direct technical assistance, creating model ordinances, grant making, and encouraging collaboration between local governments. The land use planner will be involved in the development, implementation, and communication of all of these activities.

Qualifications and Skills

- Thorough knowledge of local planning practice in northeastern Illinois, including plan and ordinance preparation, development review, and the role of appointed and elected officials.
- Understanding of the linkage between transportation, land use, economic development, and other planning specializations.
- Excellent written and oral communication skills.
- Interest and ability to interact with partner agencies, local governments, and the general public.
- Ability to lead complex projects, develop and implement work plans including management of other staff, manage multiple projects simultaneously, and work as part of a multi-disciplinary team.

Education and Experience

A Master's degree in planning or related field is required. At least ten years of experience is required in land use planning or a related field. At least five years of experience with a municipality in northeastern Illinois is preferred, though other candidates with similar experience will be considered. Candidates who have been employed at a senior or director level within a municipal planning department are preferred, and some supervisory experience is required. Candidates with demonstrated interest and experience in integrating land use planning with other planning fields, such as transportation, environment, economic development, or community planning, will be prioritized.

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